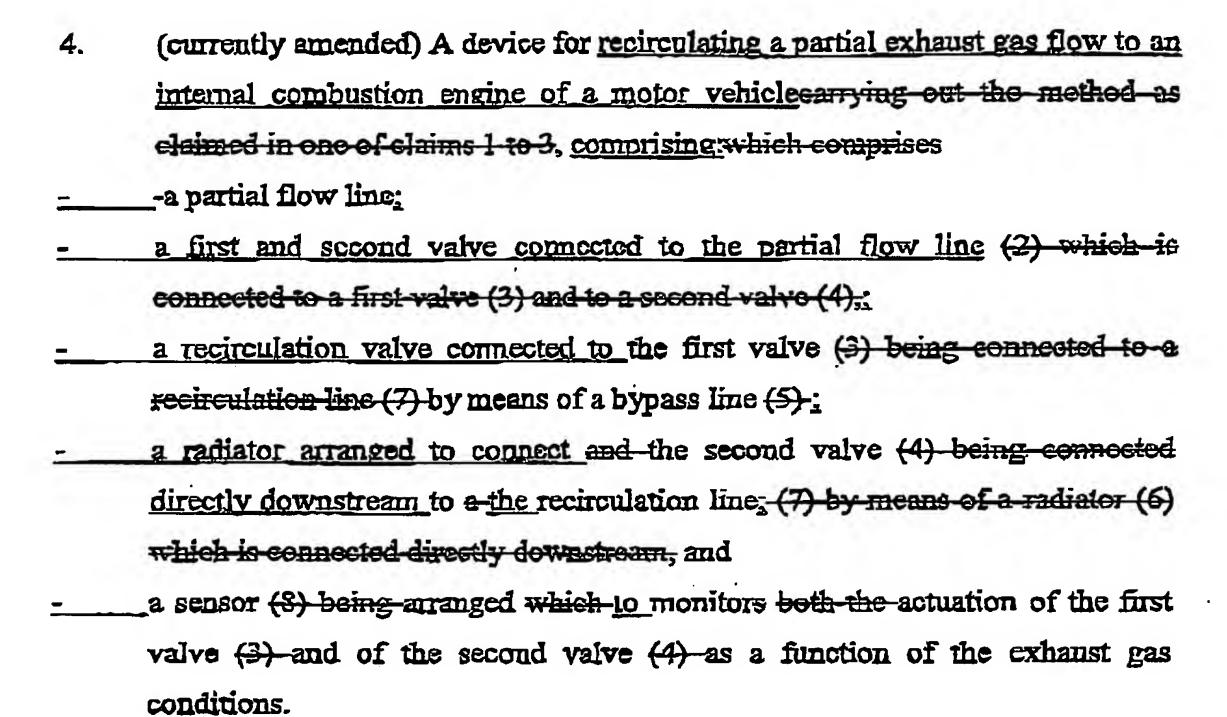
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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

- 1. (currently amended) A method for recirculating a partial exhaust gas flow to an internal combustion engine (1) of a motor vehicle, comprising the steps of:
- guiding in which the partial flow is guided through a partial flow line (2) connected downstream of the an exhaust gas outlet (12) of the internal combustion engine (1),
- supplying and is the partial flow immediately thereafter supplied to the internal combustion engine (1) either via a first valve (3), a bypass line (5) which is connected directly downstream and a recirculation line (7) or via a second valve (4), a radiator (6) which is connected directly downstream and a recirculation line (7),
- opening or closing the first valve (3) and the second valve (4) being opened or elessed as a function of the exhaust gas conditions, and
- monitoring the opening and closing this being monitored by with a sensor (8).
- 2. (currently amended) The method as elaimed in according to claim 1, in which wherein the partial flow is guided through a valve unit (9) which comprises the first valve (3), the second valve (4) and the sensor (8).
- 3. (currently amended) The method as claimed in according to claim 2, wherein which the partial flow downstream of the second valve (4) is guided through a radiator (6), arranged as the radiator which is connected downstream, having liquid coolant, the liquid coolant being guided both through the radiator (6) which is connected downstream and through the valve unit (9).



- 5. (currently amended) The device es claimed inaccording to claim 4, wherein which eithe radiator having includes liquid coolant and is arranged as the radiator (6) which is connected downstream.
- 6. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim 4 or claim 5 according to claim 5, in which further comprising a valve unit (9) is arranged which comprises including the first valve (3), the second valve (4) and the sensor (8).
- 7. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim 5 or claim 6 according to claim 6, wherein, in which the radiator (6) which is connected downstream and comprises a coolant inlet (10) and the valve unit (9) comprises a coolant outlet (11).